

### AN AFRO-AMERICAN CO WITH \$100,000 PAID UP.

Every Stockholder is a Negro and The Object of the Company is to Promote Negro Ownership of Land.

New York City, Special Correspondence.—The Afro-American Realty Co. with a paid up capital of \$100,000, has opened offices at 115 Broadway. It occupies a suite of rooms handsomely furnished in mahogany, with Nile green carpets. Not a white person is connected with the company in any capacity; even the typewriter keys being manipulated by colored ladies who are very businesslike and obliging. The Company is devoted to the cause of African ownership and tenancy.

James C. Thomas is president of the company; James E. Garner, secretary, and treasurer; and Philip A. Peyton, Jr., vice-president and general manager. The directors are: Wm. Ten Eyck, Winston Dabney, Walter E. Handy, Frank E. Stewart, Richard R. Wilson, Joseph H. Bruce, John Stevenson and Wilford H. Smith. The last named is general counsel. The par value of the stock is \$10, and it is sold at par and exclusively to colored investors. Almost all of that already sold is held by the directors.



MR. JAMES C. THOMAS.

President of the Afro-American Realty Co.

The company's prospectus, bound in chocolate colored covers and adorned with the imprint of an African's head on the cover, says that race prejudice is an expensive luxury, and that prejudice can be made so expensive that it will become impractical. The prospectus urges Negroes to co-operate with one another to the end that owner, agent and tenant may all be colored.

The company owes its corporate existence to a short-lived war between white landlords and colored tenants in 135th street some six months ago. Many of the men who are in this company were then conducting a realty business under the name of the Afro-American Realty Co., but it was not incorporated. When the white landlords began evicting their tenants, these men immediately bought several blocks of tenements on the opposite side of the street, and began evicting the white tenants, and putting the evicted colored folks in their places.

Members of the company state that it

owns five tenement properties, and has the agency of a large number of others. Its charter permits it to build apartment houses, and the directors expect in time to build a number of buildings.

### A WONDERFUL INVENTION.

It is interesting to note that fortunes are frequently made by the invention of articles of minor importance. Many of the most popular devices are those designed to benefit the people and meet popular conditions, and one of the most interesting of these that has ever been invented is the Dr. White Electric Comb, patented January 1, '99. These wonderful Combs positively cure dandruff, hair falling out, sick and nervous headaches, and when used with Dr. Whites' Electric Hair Brush are positively guaranteed to make straight hair curly in 25 days' time. Thousands of these electric combs have been sold in various cities of the Union, and the demand is constantly increasing. Our agents are rapidly becoming rich selling these combs. They positively sell on sight. Send for sample. Men's size 35c.; ladies', 50c.—(half price while we are introducing them.) The Dr. White Electric Comb Co., Decatur, Ill. 11.

### CAME FROM SOUTH AFRICA TO STUDY COOKERY.

Three Young Women Arrive in Allegheny from Port Elizabeth. Will Take a Course in the Domestic Science Department of Avery Trades School and College.

Three colored girls arrived in Allegheny yesterday from the extreme southern part of South Africa to study culinary art and domestic science. The girls expect to acquire knowledge in the modern methods of housekeeping and cooking which will apply at their homes.

The girls have arranged to take a complete course in the domestic science of the Avery Trades School and College, Nelson and Avery streets, Allegheny. Their names are L. Rocco, Alfreda Blucklick and Army Onetti. They are each about twenty years old and are typical South Africans.

The new arrivals, who are eager to obtain the secrets of the American women in cooking, are natives of Port Elizabeth, on Algoa Bay, Cape Town. They are possessed of an elementary education but beyond the crude methods taught them by their countrywomen they have no knowledge of the modern methods of cooking and keeping house.

In South Africa the colored housewife who is successful in tickling the palate of her husband or guests with her cooking is looked upon as something more than a queen in her province. They will be taught cooking in all its branches at the Avery college.

The girls are the first natives of Africa to be enrolled at the Avery Trades School and College. They will finish their studies at the end of next June, after which they will return to Port Elizabeth.—Pittsburg Times.



### The Negro's Hope

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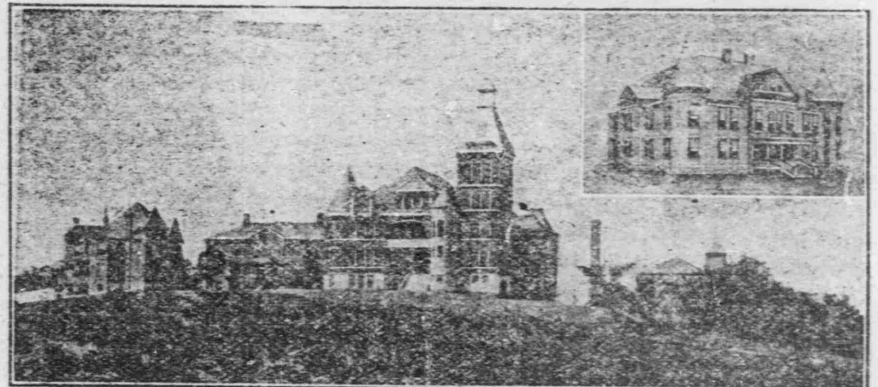
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